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In re Application of Markus Kalkum et al.

Serial No.: 09/701,203

Filed: November 27, 2000

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PROCESSING EXTREMELY SMALL SUBSTANCE QUANTITIES

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x43=	\$
+145=	\$

OR

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Official Action dated June 4, 2003, Applicants amend the Application as follows:

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